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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

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33 pages of Specification/Claims 1-10/Abstract are attached.
 Formal drawings (Figs. 1-20; 9 sheet(s) are attached.
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
 An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
 An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 1 reference.
 This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
 A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____.
 Priority of foreign application No. 2000-010972 filed January 19, 2000 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
 A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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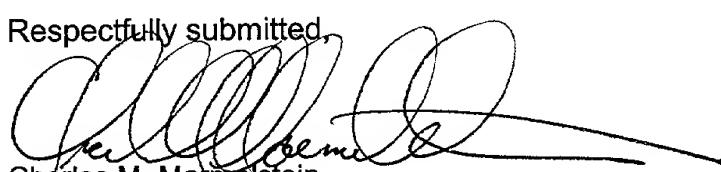
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LARGE ENTITY

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Respectfully submitted,


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